Council on Postsecondary Education May 21, 2007

Master of Arts in Education in Adult Education Western Kentucky University

ACTION: The staff recommends that the Council approve the Master of Arts in Education in Adult Education (CIP 13.1201) proposed by Western Kentucky University.

Western Kentucky University proposes this online program, which will be available through the Kentucky Virtual Campus, to prepare educators to work with adult basic education students, community college students, adult literacy students, English for Speakers of Other Language students, military personnel, workplace students, and community education students.

This 30-hour degree will consist of a required core of 15 semester hours in adult education plus a research foundations course and two three-hour electives. The remaining six hours will be attained through completion of a thesis or two additional courses. This new program is an extension of WKU's current adult education curriculum offered through the M.A.E. in Education and Behavior Science Studies.

This proposal was posted to the online Kentucky Postsecondary Program Proposal System for review by the Council staff and other postsecondary institutions. The WKU Board of Regents approved the program at its November 2, 2006, meeting.